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## Student Senate Fails to Override Conference Veto

By VERONICA BURGHER

The Student Senate failed by five votes Thursday to override Student President/Regent Matt Schulz' veto of conference funding.

A debate began last month when the senate allocated \$750 for the American Multicultural Students (AMS) agency to send 10 people to a Blacks in Student Government conference in Columbia, Mo., from Feb. 18-20.

Schulz, who said he has consistently voted against funding conferences, explained in a let-

ter to the senators last week that he vetoed the AMS request because "the benefits of conferences do not justify the expenditure of student fee money involved."

At the meeting, Schulz attempted to dispel rumors that his decision was racially motivated.

"I am offended and appalled that would come up," Schulz said. "It's not against AMS, it's against conferences."

Schulz said he has seen many people go to conferences without "seeing a lot positive come back."

Although a few people may benefit from going to conferences, the money should be used on things that

benefit the university as a whole, Schulz said.

"We simply cannot afford to do the goals that this senate has," Schulz said, "and continue to fund conferences whenever they come up."

AMS Director Annette Crowder said she thought a report she made last year to the senate proved the benefits conferences provide to many students.

"But I guess that isn't true," Crowder said.

She stressed interaction

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## A&S Dean Newton to Return to the Classroom

By JODI BOOKE

After 20 years as dean of UNO's College of Arts and Sciences, John Newton has decided to step down.

Effective Sept. 1, Newton will leave his post as dean. He plans to take a semester off and then return to the classroom for the spring semester.

"I decided years ago that if I made it 20 years (as dean) that would be enough, give someone else a chance," Newton said.

Newton, who turns 65 this month, said his age is another reason he's stepping down from his administrative post.

"I'm old enough," he said.

Newton has acquired much experience during the 34 years he has been at UNO.

Newton received both a master's degree and a doctorate from Ohio State University in 1952 and 1955, respectively.

He began teaching at Omaha University in 1960 and was named chairman of the psychology department seven years later. He was appointed dean in 1974.

"There have been a number of accomplishments in our college, but I think the constant has been the good people with whom I've had the pleasure of working."

One of those people, John Wanzenreid, assistant dean of Arts and Sciences, said Newton will be missed.

"As a faculty member for about 22 years under his direction, I was always impressed by him," Wanzenreid said. "But when I became the assistant dean, I really gained a great appreciation for all of the things he has to do."

"The dean has a great many obligations and he did them very



John Newton

well, looking over his colleagues in the college as well as a devotion to the university."

"He puts in tremendous hours," Wanzenreid added. He's always there at 8 a.m. and always one of the last to leave at night and usually comes in on Saturdays and Sundays and works a little more."

Newton said he enjoyed his work as dean.

"I wouldn't have stayed in the position this long if I didn't enjoy it," he said.

Newton said he's had a wide variety of experiences as dean, but feels the best part of it all has probably been interviewing new faculty members.

"I interview all the people applying for positions and when you go back 20 years, that's a lot of people ... We've really brought some outstanding people to the faculty of UNO."

Newton said he will miss the close association with the faculty that he has in his position, but is looking forward to devoting more time to teaching.

A search committee was formed last semester to fill

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## SABC Axes Conference Allowances

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Conference and subscription allowances dominated discussion Thursday at the Student Activities Budget Commission's (SABC) preliminary budget hearings for

keep up on events in their home countries and act as learning aids for all students.

Craig Richter, a student-at-large member of SABC, proposed that the allowance for books and subscriptions be cut from \$250 to \$150.

should be avoided. He supported the cut.

"I think that particularly for international students, they need to go to the library," Fus said. "It's a part of their acculturation process and part of their educational experience here."

**"Student agencies are here to make students feel at home at this university."**

—Amy Bellows

Student Organizations Adviser

two student agencies.

International Student Services (ISS) Director Brian Jacobsen proposed a \$6,300 budget for 1994-95, which included allowances for conferences and subscriptions for Christian Science Monitor and international publications.

Jacobsen said the subscriptions would help international students

"Looking back at past budgets, they have not, in the past, spent this money," Richter said. "One-hundred fifty dollars is plenty until it is proven to this committee that they can use that money."

Dennis Fus, a SABC faculty member, said some of the magazines were already available at the UNO Library and duplication

Student-at-large member Mike Kennedy said if the commission denied the request, they would have to also deny subscription requests of other agencies because of duplication.

Aimee Welch, a Student Senate SABC member, said the

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## Wheelchair Basketball Keeps on Rolling

By SUSAN McELLIOTT

Are you sitting down? Good, now grab a basketball and try taking a couple of shots.

"It's more challenging than it sounds, but it's also a lot of fun," Mike Kult said of wheelchair basketball. Kult is the graduate assistant in charge of informal recreation and facilities.

"We're doing it informally right now," he said, "and we're trying to build it into intramurals. We also have a junior league for kids."

Wheelchair basketball may be one of the least discriminating sports on campus: anyone can play regardless of age,

sex, disabled or not. All equipment is provided, including wheelchairs, Kult said.

"Just because you're a great able-bodied basketball player doesn't mean you'll be a great wheelchair basketball player, because you can't use your legs. As long as everybody plays by the same rules, it's all even."

Kult, who is disabled, first started playing wheelchair basketball at Southwest State University in Minnesota.

Kult said there are few differences between standard and wheelchair basketball.

"We try to keep the sport as close as possible to the original sport. That way people will be able to recognize it without too many modifications."

A few rules are different, he said, such as a player gets four seconds in the lane instead

of the three. Players may also push chair wheels twice between dribbles without being called for traveling.

The sport also provides a strenuous workout for the arms and shoulders, Kult said, which makes it ideal for anyone wishing to develop upper body strength.

"You really have to get coordinated with your hands, because you're dribbling, pushing and stopping all at the same time," he said.

Besides having fun and getting in shape, Kult hopes players will have a better understanding of what it takes to play wheelchair athletics, as well as an understanding of what it's like to be in a wheelchair.

"People still have the same desire to play sports and the same drive that everyone else

does. The sport is for everybody."

Joel Bauch, a UNO graduate student, started playing wheelchair basketball last spring. He said it's more challenging, but also more fun than standard basketball.

"The hardest part to get used to is the fact that you're shooting the basketball at a regulation rim while sitting down," Bauch said. "You shoot a lot of airballs at first."

Anyone interested in playing can come to open gym practices on Tuesdays from 2:30 until 4:30 p.m. or Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building or call 554-2539 for more information.



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between students at conferences breeds involvement.

"Sometimes they (students of color) need to know how to get more involved," Crowder said. "There are senators right now that are sitting on this body, because of what I brought back from that conference last year."

Student Sen. Lisa Hadley said students in AMS and the African-American Organization (AAO) have paid their fees, and they don't understand why they can't go.

Sen. James Neneman said he originally opposed the request for funds because he believed such requests should go through budget committee first. He announced he would change his vote to support giving AMS the money.

Neneman then confronted Senate Speaker Justin Peterson about comments Peterson allegedly made to Neneman earlier.

"Yesterday, did you say to me that 'if this,' meaning the override, 'passes, I will rule it null and void'?" Neneman said.

Peterson said that Neneman had taken the comment out of context. Peterson explained that because the early registration deadline had passed as of Feb. 1, there would be a difference in the amount of money needed.

Students who want to attend the conference will pay a \$10 late fee "out of their own pockets" Sen. LaCrisha Crawford said.

The vote was nine in favor of overriding the veto, 12 against.

Schulz said later that he was confident he had enough support to sustain the veto, but he was "pleasantly surprised at the degree."

"I think that the Senate took a gutsy stand," Schulz said, "but I think it was the right stand for the university."

In other business:

• Brad Edmundson was appointed to Traffic Appeals.

• Steve Meacham appointed himself to Parking Advisory Committee.

• Jeff Yarrington was appointed to the Computer Usage Committee.

• John Wells was accepted to be chief justice of the Student Court.

• Four senate seats were filled.

Ray Keller was accepted to the Education seat.

Dave Prescher was accepted to the University Division seat.

Ailin Stevenson and Kerri Jones were accepted to the Arts and Sciences seats.

• A resolution, submitted by the budget committee, requested the purchase of a hard drive for the treasurer's computer to ensure the safety of budget information. The senate accepted the resolution by a vote of 12 to five.

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publications would be a valuable resource to ISS and other students.

"If I wanted to know a little more about a certain culture, I would rather go to the International Student Agency ... rather than going to the library and fish around for something I wasn't sure of what I was looking for," Welch said.

"Student agencies are here to make students feel at home at this university," said Amy Bellows, student organizations adviser. "They may not feel at home going over and sitting by themselves at the library."

Many of the professors on this campus and our office also have references that we buy through university money... we have those references possibly in our office that they may have in the library, too."

The motion to reduce the subscription allowance to \$150 failed.

The ISS travel expense budget, which included monies for conference lodging, was cut from \$800 to \$300.

Kennedy said the agencies were trying to bypass Student Senate by including allowances for conferences. Student agencies must request funds for conferences from Student Government.

"I believe this SABC (budget) will not pass the senate in its present form, I can guarantee that right now," Kennedy said. "We are going to have an appeal to Hoover ... that we take any requests that are approved by this body in the form of conferences and put them into a separate budget outside the agency. What's going to happen is Student Government will not approve this."

LaCrisha Crawford, a Student Senate SABC member, said setting aside allowances was not a way of bypassing the senate.

The commission passed a preliminary budget of \$7,300 for ISS. Dropped from the budget was a printer upgrade of \$600 along with cuts in duplicating (copying) expenses and travel expenses. Terry Forman, a non-voting member of SABC, said the reason behind dropping the printer upgrade was because the agency could make a request for the money through Student Government. The commission added an additional \$2,000 for an outbound ambassador. The salary for the agency director was boosted to \$2,300 from a requested \$2,000.

Before the American Multicultural Students (AMS) agency's budget hearing, Forman advocated avoiding similar arguments about conferences.

AMS Director Annette Crowder presented a proposed budget of \$10,844.

Transportation and travel expenses, which included conference allocations, was cut from \$1,400 to \$1,000.

Crowder said a director should have some autonomy.

"I do not make a move without talking to Amy Bellows, the executive treasurer and the CAO (chief administrative officer)," Crowder said. "I do not make decisions half-cocked."

The commission approved a \$9,745 budget for AMS. Director salary was cut from \$3,000 to \$2,300.

# SCEC Hopes Help Instructors Provide for Students' Needs

By DORAINE A. HOOKS

New equipment, learning techniques and research breakthroughs all provide UNO's Student Council for Exceptional Children (SCEC) with creative ideas designed to teach children with special educational needs.

"Most of our members are education majors," said Christine Jardee, SCEC president at UNO.

Meetings and workshops provide SCEC members with news about innovative ways to expand the learning capacities of both gifted children and children with learning disabilities.

"Our meetings consist of various speakers such as doctors and lawyers who come

and explain about new equipment or legislation," Jardee said.

"I think our organization creates unity among future teachers," said Diane Gau, a member who plans activities and arranges publicity for SCEC.

Gau plans to graduate in May and begin student teaching at Neihardt Elementary School this fall.

Jardee, who is already student-teaching seventh and eighth graders at Millard North Middle School, said she enjoys her work and looks forward to becoming a teacher.

educating children with special needs as well as those who are exceptionally gifted.

Jardee initially wanted to concentrate on teaching elementary students, but now that she's currently teaching at the secondary level, her view has changed.

"Since I've been teaching at this level," Jardee said, "the more I like working with the older kids ... but I think all kids are wonderful."

SCEC is planning a workshop titled "Make-It, Take-It," scheduled for Feb. 26. The workshop will provide participants with information they can take

***"I believe we are an energetic professional organization that is here to educate and commit ourselves to promoting education for all students."***

—Christine Jardee  
SCEC president

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Newton's position and finalists should be interviewed in late April or early May.

"We've been very, very fortunate in the College of Arts and Sciences to have somebody for the past 20 years who has been a person of his caliber," Wanzeneid said. "He's absolutely, totally devoted to his job, and I think that's admirable."

Jardee said she became interested in teaching special education as a high school student when she was assigned to do community work and ultimately started helping out with special ed pre-schoolers.

"That was when I decided I wanted to teach special ed," Jardee said, "and I continued to work with the pre-schoolers during my freshman year in college."

Jardee said she finds the work rewarding and important, and she continues to do what she can to learn and promote

home.

"Stations will be set up with hands-on activities like bulletin boards and lesson plans, and people will be able to make these items and take them home," Jardee said.

The information presented at the workshop will be both creative and helpful for teaching at primary and secondary levels, she said.

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## Homeless Need More Than Pity

Tonight when you crawl into your warm bed and pull the covers up to your chin, you probably won't even think of the 1 million children who aren't as lucky as you. Or their parents.

These are the tired, the poor and quite literally, the huddled masses of our nation. These are the panhandlers in the Old Market, the bums under bridges and the hustlers in Gus Van Sant's film "My Own Private Idaho."

The standard of living in the United States has fallen so severely that prior to helping our own children off of the streets, the federal government has taken to playing Big Brother for the world.

Aid packages dropped randomly about the former Yugoslavia and Somalia, more troops sent to Central America and the Middle East and still rising taxes on our own shores.

The closest thing to active governmental participation in solving the problem of homelessness in the last

12 years was the passage of the Stuart B. McKinney (R-Del.) Act in 1991. The act was to take affect in the beginning of 1993 and has been trapped in the reconsideration stages in the Senate Appropriations Committee since January 1993.

The act was a nice, but feeble attempt to help the homeless of the nation.

Nothing left to do, huh? We might as well give up on them.

Who cares about a 13-year-old boy whoring himself out for food?

Or the Vietnam vets who valiantly fought in a war they didn't understand and came home to be spit on and left jobless?

Who cares about the battered wife and her children forced to live from the back of their car?

No one it seems. Those who have lived in the white-washed world of "Everybody's Beautiful" and "Lil' Bunny Foo Foo" don't see it. And as the saying goes, "Out of sight, out of mind."

Those of us who have seen the street people are torn. We are caught between empathy and apathy. To judge or not to judge; that is the question. Should we have no pity for them because they put themselves in this position or should we pity them because they have

been beaten down by the man?

Neither.

"Why?" you may ask. Well, simply because they do not need pity and the only charity they need is that of the heart.

Nearly 70 percent of America's homeless are suffering from some type of mental illness. More than half of the men on the streets are alcoholics. More than 60 percent of the women are addicted to drugs ranging from alcohol and marijuana to heroin and crack cocaine.

Most were not addicted prior to their time in the backways and alleyways of this country. Most of the teens are also addicted to drugs and hustling.

There's something wrong with this picture and in "the greatest country on the planet." It's a disgrace to see 5-year-olds living in less than squalor.

Five years ago, at the inception of the Comic Relief concerts, homelessness was quite fashionable in the political arena. Everyone was an

activist and people's hearts were overflowing with goodwill towards man. We all wanted to offer handouts.

Frankly, the homeless do not need our handouts. They need a hand up.

The way things appear, they're not going to get the help from the federal government and states don't seem too excited about helping either.

If, in fact, this nation is "by the people," it is the people who must do something to help end this problem.

We all need to rise from our La-Z-Boys and do something. No, I'm not suggesting starting your own shelter, but possibly volunteering at the existing ones. Never have I felt so good about myself as when I was working with the children at the Open Door Mission's Lydia House.

If you don't have the time to help out at the shelters, you can always make donations of clothing, food, toys, money and anything you can imagine needing in a home.

If personal satisfaction and knowing that you've helped someone in worse shape than yourself isn't enough for you, the donations are tax deductible.

It is time to stand for those who are too tired to get back on their feet alone.

**Angi Sada**  
**COLUMNIST**

## Harding's Chances Are Better in Court

Just when it looks like the world is crashing down on America's (cold as ice) princess, Tonya Harding, there lies a glimmer of hope for the skater from my hometown of Portland, Ore.

Almost everyone close to Harding is being implicated in the assault of Nancy Kerrigan, and it doesn't take Sherlock Holmes to suspect Harding's role in the attack.

Even Dr. Watson would find the circumstantial evidence to be elementary.

However, Harding needs only to read the newspapers to find hope, despite the mounting evidence indicating her involvement in the Kerrigan case.

Lorena Bobbit, Michael Jackson, the Menedez brothers and even a dog in New Jersey are finding ways to avoid imprisonment for committing the crimes they have been charged with.

In fairness, Jackson has yet to be charged with molesting a young boy, he just happened to settle with the lad for millions in return for the boy's silence.

When money talks, alleged victims do not.

Bobbit admitted in court during her husband's abuse trial that she cut off his penis. However, when her mutilation trial came up, she mysteriously came up blank when asked if she remembered hacking it off.

Eric and Lyle Menedez have admitted to killing their parents in response to years of mental, physical and sexual abuse. After weeks of trials and jury deliberations, neither was convicted because of deadlocked juries and must now go through the ordeal again.

Then there is Junkyard Jersey Dog who likes chewing on children just to show them how much he loves kids. When one feisty parent objected to his gnawing, the pup was sentenced to death. However, thanks to a newly elected governor's campaign promise, the pooch was saved and sent to another state to menace its citizens.

Everyone, except maybe Michael, did the crime, however, none of them are doing the time.

For Bobbit, the brothers and the beagle, a plea of temporary insanity is leaving juries with little choice but to acquit. The good old "not guilty by reason of insanity" is becoming the verdict of choice in the '90s.

Just for kicks, why not find these people and pets "guilty by reason of insanity."

Each has admitted to committing the crime yet with the right amount of money and the sympathy of the public, all are probably going into therapy while negotiating their "made-for-TV-movie" deals.

Abuse is not something to be taken lightly, but neither is mutilation, maulings and murder. It's OK to have sympathy for someone who has dealt with abusive relationships, but juries need to objectively ask themselves whether the crime itself was committed, not if the defendant was justified.

Justification of a crime should be left to the discretion of the presiding judge. If circumstances exist which the defendant had no choice but to commit the crime, then the judge should decide the fate of the accused.

All this brings us back to Harding who now must wait for charges to be brought against her for the clubbing of Kerrigan.

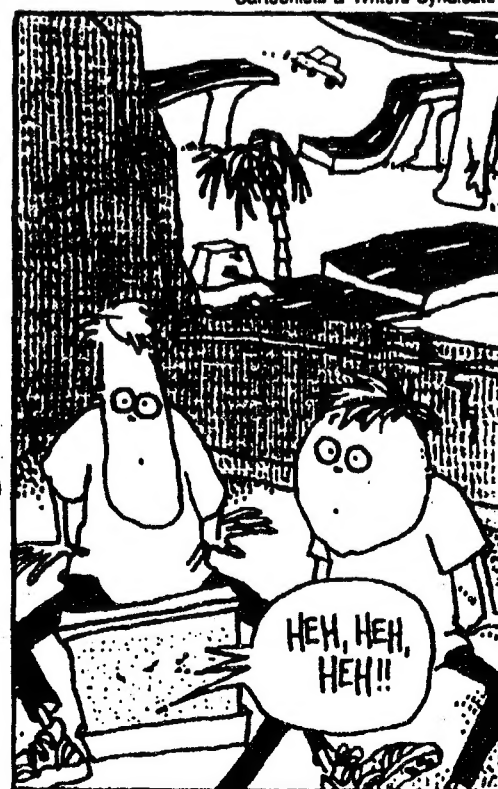
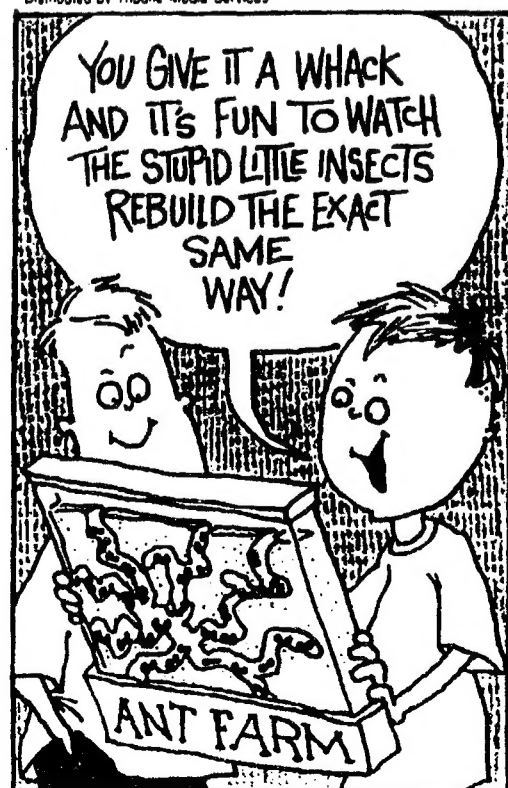
Don't worry, Tonya, keep practicing for the Winter Olympics because all you may have done was aid in the plot to whack your rival on the knee. That's nothing compared to prying off a penis or plugging your parents full of lead.

By the way, Tonya, if you end up in court over this Kerrigan thing, just plead not guilty by reason of insanity.

Gold fever has been known to drive people crazy.

**Michael Messerly**  
**COLUMNIST**

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# LETTERS.LETTERS.LETTERS.LETTERS.LETTERS

## Student Victimized

Dear Editor,

On Dec. 5, I was going into Cookie's convenience store for a Sunday paper at 5 a.m. I had left early for my job at a correctional facility so I could read the paper in solitude before dealing with criminals. Little did I know I would be victimized by criminals before even purchasing my paper.

I got out of my car and walked to the door of Cookie's. I saw one male with a video camera pointed at me. At that moment, two young males, approximately 18 or 19 years old, came from behind a pillar. They said "Excuse me, lady," and threw two large glasses of cold water on me. All three ran, and I called my job from Cookie's. The clerk called the police, and I went home to change. I had just gone back to work two days earlier

after recovering from pneumonia.

Many may think it was just a prank, it was just water and no one got hurt. But they victimized me, it was an assault and it sure felt like one too.

I knew that morning it was Phi Kappa Alpha members — possibly pledges — because of their young age, the hall vicinity and the presence of a video camera. They obviously needed the video camera to prove their bravery.

I called the *Gateway* that morning because I wanted the Pikes to know that I knew it was them and to try to discourage them from further victimization of innocent people.

Jodi Boone, from the *Gateway*, and I investigated further and found out about the Denny's incident and about a girl having her car surrounded by fraternity members.

Bill Harrahill, president of the fraternity, said these incidents were not sanctioned by the fraternity. If they were

individual acts, why didn't individuals come forward? Why did Mr. Harrahill write an admission of guilt and apology letters on behalf of the fraternity?

Without the *Gateway's* article, the letter from Mr. Harrahill would never have been written. I feel the letter admitting guilt was written out of fear of getting in trouble for hazing. Maybe they thought if they wrote an apology letter and an explanation that it was full-fledged members involved, they would not get in as much trouble with the university, their national chapter and possibly the police.

Two weeks ago, I was talking to a Pike member who was unaware of who I was. I brought up the incident, and his comment was "We just want that girl to shut up."

I'm sure when they threw water on me they didn't realize that their victim would ruin their fun and games. The only thing that will affect this fraternity is a sanction from the university and their national council. The \$50 that they plan to reimburse me, (which I have yet to receive) does not affect such a large fraternity. It's merely video camera rental money for a week. Please put yourself, mother, sister, wife or girlfriend in my shoes and show the PKA members that they need to keep their pranks to themselves.

Shayna Ray  
UNO Student

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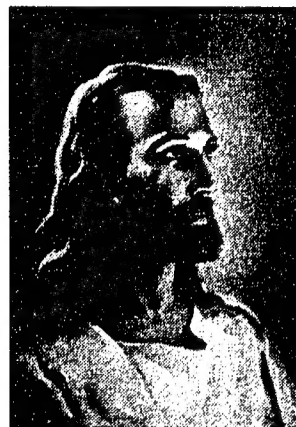
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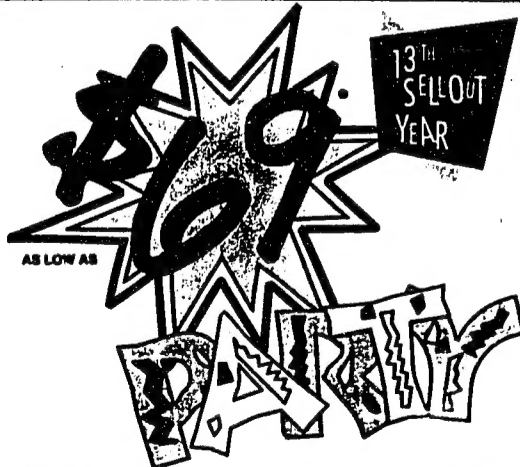


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# LETTERS.LETTERS.LETTERS.LETTERS.LETTERS

## 'Stop the Violence'

Dear Editor,

In response to the Feb. 1 edition of the *Gateway*, I felt compelled to tell Dennis Crocker that I understand his question, "How can they say that sexual mutilation and violence is OK against men, but prohibited against women?" He pointed out that it was hypocritical of the Omaha Chapter of Women Against Violence to say "No spouse deserves violence," then turn around and say that John Wayne Bobbit got what he deserved.

Perhaps that is a hypocritical statement or view, but sometimes it takes a drastic measure to aid a cause, this one being "domestic violence needs to end." True, no one deserves to be abused. I hope you can agree with that part. Domestic violence is a very real issue that needs to be dealt with. Maybe the courts will realize that, as a result of this case, the laws need to be stricter on men who violate women.

As a domestic abuse crisis line counselor, I hope and pray that I have helped those courageous callers who have had the strength to call and say they need help, are tired of being beaten or tired of explaining where the bruises came from. They call and say they can't take the abuse any more and don't know what to do about it. They are terrified to stay in the home and scared to leave for fear of being beaten. Sometimes women and children are killed, just for trying to get out of a violent relationship. It takes a LOT of courage to get help, and area shelters are full almost all of the time because women are seeking safety and help.

Sure, Lorena Bobbit could have left her husband. But what would the cost have been? Her life, perhaps? She took a drastic measure against her husband because she was tired of being abused. Do you, Crocker, know what it's like to feel your life is in danger because of a violent partner? I do, and I was brave enough to leave that relationship.

If the male psyche has been irreparably damaged, what do you think a violent man does to a woman's psyche after he beats her up, belittles, ridicules, stalks or rapes her? Women are sick and tired of being dominated and abused by men. Perhaps the male psyche needs to be knocked down several feet or miles. Perhaps it's time for them to feel the fear they have so freely instilled in women. Women have not poisoned the home here, Crocker, domestic violence has.

Women have pulled together out of necessity to create support groups (not male-bashing groups) because they deserve to build their self-esteem and regain their respect and dignity after men have stripped it away from them. Support groups help women realize that they don't deserve to live in fear or in a violent home. Women pull together to save lives.

Yes, as a nation we need to stop the violence, but you are obviously blind to just what domestic violence entails and you obviously do not know it from an abused woman's view. Do you know what it's like to be beaten with a fist or hard object? Do you deeply fear someone? Are you afraid to hang up a towel in the wrong place because you know you will get slapped for doing so? Do you know what it's like to be thrown across the room with your head hitting the wall or coffee table? Do you know what it's like to be raped or molested?

Women and support groups are not throwing gasoline on the fire. Women are seeking justice against being abused. I don't think every woman is going to mutilate her violent male partner now just because of this case. But thanks to Lorena Bobbit, she has given women the courage to say, "If she can get out of a violent situation, then maybe I have the courage too."

If men are worried about their own "body part" being mutilated, then perhaps it's safe to say that they need to think twice before being abusive to the women in their lives.

Roxanne Hunter  
UNO Student

## 'Keep an Open Mind'

Dear Editor,

I strongly disagree with Angi Sada's statement in her Jan. 25 column: "Prior to the time of fetal viability, there is no precedent establishing life."

Dr. Jerome Lejune, the discoverer of Down's Syndrome, told lawmakers at a 1981 Senate Judiciary Subcommittee: To accept the fact that after fertilization has taken place, a new human has come into being is no longer a matter of taste or opinion ... it is plain experimental evidence."

Dr. Hymie Gordon, chairman, department of genetics at the Mayo Clinic, added: "By all the criteria of modern molecular biology, life is present from the moment of conception."

Dr. McCarthy de Mere, medical doctor and law professor, University of Tennessee, testified: "The exact moment of the beginning of personhood and of the human body is at the moment of conception." They were supported by other experts in the field of genetics and biology.

Ms. Sada should keep an open mind and look at all of the relevant information on

when life begins. Her column is just another example of the liberal press trying to cram its views down our throats.

Matt Herrley  
UNO student

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The workshop is a fundraiser for a Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) national convention to be held in Denver, Gau said.

"We hope to raise enough money so that at least half of our members can go," Gau said. "We have around 60 members in SCEC."

Both Gau and Jardee say they think the convention will benefit SCEC members in their teaching endeavors.

Jardee said SCEC organizations can also be found at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, University of Nebraska at Kearney, Peru State and Wayne State colleges.

After SCEC members graduate, they can register for the professional organization, CEC.

Jardee recently learned that she was voted treasurer for the national CEC.

"This is really exciting," Jardee said. "I really look forward to it."

Jardee said she is dedicated and plans to work with CEC as long as possible.

"I believe we are an energetic professional organization that is here to educate and commit ourselves to promoting education for all students."

## Forensics Team Grabs 13 Awards

UNO forensics team members received 13 awards at two recent tournaments at Hastings College and Concordia College.

Julie McKnight's honors at the Concordia tournament include first place in persuasive speaking, second in the pentathlon event and third in after-dinner speaking. She was selected as third best overall speaker at both tournaments.

Rich Jones placed first at Hastings and second at Concordia in the poetry interpretation event.

Jones and McKnight placed fourth at both tournaments in a duo competition.

## Student Exhibit to Open

An opening reception for the Spring UNO Art Student Exhibit is scheduled for Feb. 11 from 7:30 until 9 p.m. in the UNO Art Gallery.

The exhibit for the recipients of the Bertha Mendedoht Hatz Memorial Awards will run from Feb. 11 through March 4.

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# Mavs Take Bears To Limit in Loss

By TIM ROHWER

UNO's outside shooting was deadly against Northern Colorado Saturday night. It was free throws that killed the Mavs.

The UNO men's team, seeking its first win in the North Central Conference (NCC), lost 84-81 in double overtime to the Bears before 1,700 in the UNO Fieldhouse. The loss dropped the Mavs to 0-10 in the NCC and 2-16 overall.

The highlight for the Mavs was their accurate, long-range shooting, especially by Mike Conley. The senior forward hit seven three-point baskets, the most in one game by a player in UNO history. Sophomore forward Jeremy Kildare also contributed by making two of his five three-point attempts.

The problem for the Mavs was hitting only 22 of 42 free throws. Had they made just one more, UNO would have won 62-61 at the end of regulation, instead of a tie which forced the overtime.

"We get beat by three points, yet we missed 20 free throws," said Mav Coach Bob Hanson. "Missing those free throws cost us the game."

When asked if the Mavs would concentrate more on shooting free throws in practice this week, Hanson quickly replied, "We concentrate on that every day."

The Bears wasted little time in jumping out to a big lead. A layup by guard Dwayne Reliford gave Northern Colorado a 15-4 advantage with almost eight minutes gone in the game.

Conley hit his first three-pointer a short

time later to get the Mavs rolling.

With a little more than five minutes remaining in the first half, UNO junior forward Frank Cypress made a layup to tie the score at 24, and two successful free throws by freshman forward Demetrius "Bebop" Walker gave the Mavs a 26-24 lead at the 4:36 mark.

A three-point basket by Northern Colorado forward Eric Heinle a minute later gave the visitors the lead again, and the Bears later scored six more points to take a 33-29 lead into the locker room at halftime.

A three-pointer by Conley and a layup by Cypress helped the Mavs regain the lead, 36-33, early in the second half.

The remainder of regulation time was a see-saw battle with neither team having more than a three-point lead.

Another of Conley's three-pointers gave the Mavs a 61-59 lead with about three minutes to play in the second half.

Northern Colorado answered with a two-point basket by guard Gerard Arcement at the 1:17 mark.

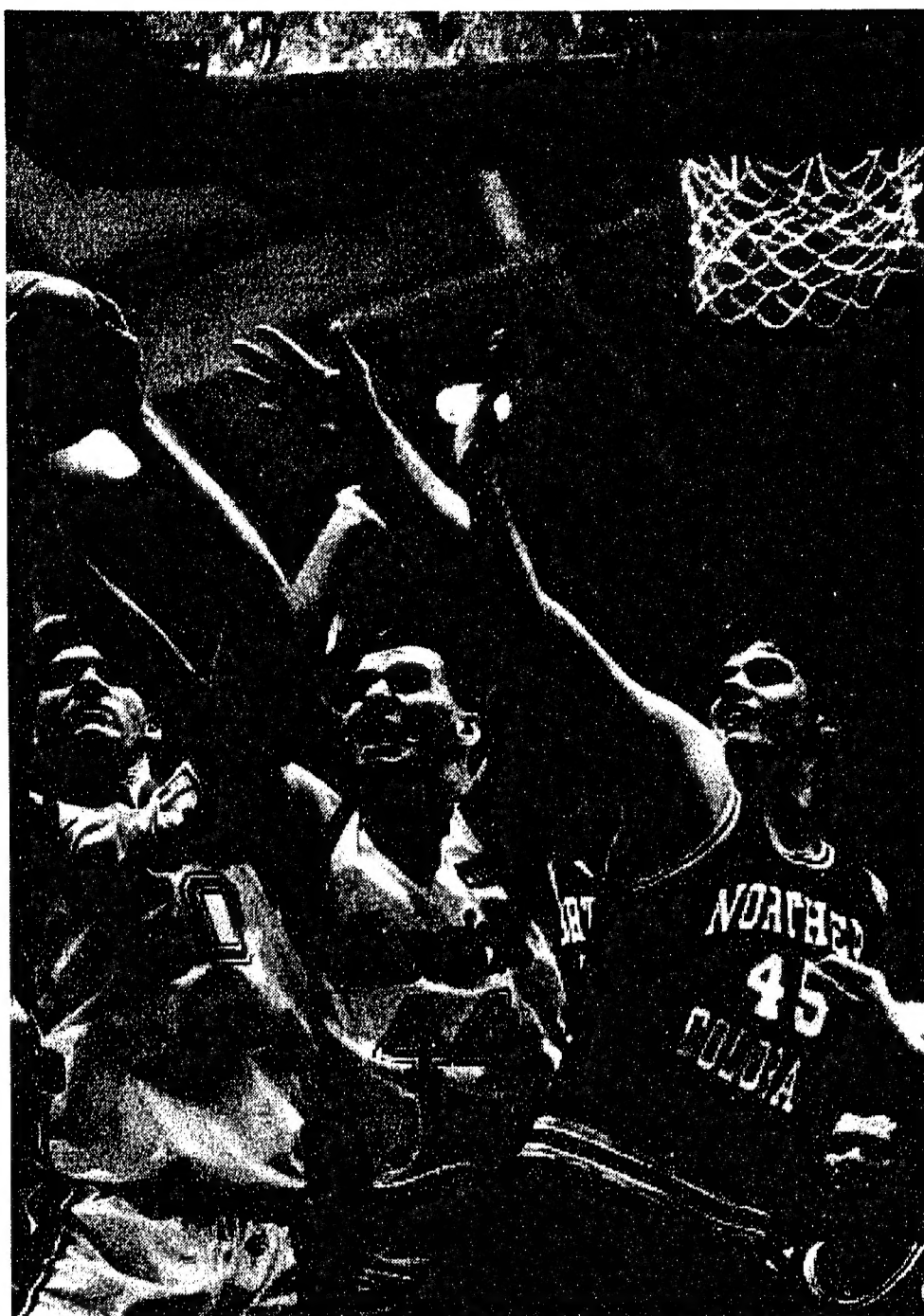
The Mavs came within inches of winning the game when a shot by Kildare at the buzzer rolled around the rim before falling off.

UNO got behind early in the first overtime, but a basket by freshman guard Peter Ledford tied the score at 72 with seven seconds left, forcing another five-minute period.

During the second overtime, the Bears scored early and never looked back.

A pair of free throws made by guard

SEE MAVS, PAGE 8



—Ed Carlson

UNO's John Skokan, No. 50, and Jeremy Kildare, No. 44, fight for a rebound with a Northern Colorado player Saturday.

## Softball Team Looks Promising

According to Coach Mary Yori, the UNO softball team is still something of a mystery, even to her.

"We have a very young team," Yori said. "It's going to be a big question mark on what we can do."

According to Yori, her young team will be put to the test quickly by intense competition.

"We play in a strong conference," Yori said. "Augustana has won the NCC (North Central Conference) five years in a row."

The NCC has three teams ranked in the top 20 in NCAA Division II: Augustana at No. 1, Morningside at No. 8 and UNO at No. 13.

Yori said UNO's favorable position in the polls is due to a few returners who are key players for the Lady Mavs. These players include first baseman Deb Baetsle, last year a first team All-American, and third baseman Michala Lehotak.

"Last year Michala batted over .400 for us and was very deserving of honors," Yori said. "They are both outstanding players, and we are looking for them to have big seasons."

According to Yori, UNO has great potential despite its overall youth.

"We'll have a good shot at it (NCC title)," Yori said. "Hopefully we'll be more polished when that time of the season comes around."

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## Lady Mavs Fall to N. Colorado Mav Wrestlers Split Matches

By TIM ROHWER

Playing the UNO women's basketball team Saturday night, the Lady Bears of Northern Colorado won, mostly because of No. 51.

That's the number worn by Jen Sullivan, the 6-2 center for the Lady Bears.

Sullivan scored 14 points, grabbed 11 rebounds and blocked seven Lady Mav shots in leading Northern Colorado to a come-from-behind 69-63 win before 950 in the UNO Fieldhouse.

The loss dropped the Lady Mavs to 3-7 in the North Central Conference (NCC) and 9-9 overall, while Northern Colorado improved to 5-5 in the NCC and 11-8 overall.

Sullivan's statistics, especially the blocked shots, should not have happened, said Lady Mav Coach Cherri Mankenberg.

"I told the team at halftime to keep the ball away from her (Sullivan) side. Yet, we drilled

kets by Sullivan and Stacey Reystead giving the visitors a 43-41 lead with 13 minutes to play.

UNO senior guard Aimee Noel tied the score with a layup a few seconds later, but Sullivan answered with a layup at the 12:45 mark to give the Lady Bears a 45-43 lead.

Noel again tied the score with a basket underneath at the 12:32 mark, but a layup by Owens shortly thereafter gave Northern Colorado a lead it would not relinquish.

A turn-around jumper by Sullivan padded the lead to 51-47 with 11 minutes remaining and Northern Colorado stretched it to eight points, 64-56, with Reystead's layup with three minutes left.

Northern Colorado's biggest lead came with 14 seconds remaining when Reystead made two free throws for a 69-60 advantage.

A three-pointer at the buzzer by Lady Mav sophomore forward Michelle Spetman completed the scoring.

*"I felt this was going to be our turn."*

—Cherri Mankenberg  
Lady Mav Coach

it into her in the second half," she said. "We just didn't make our halftime adjustments."

The Lady Mavs got out to a big early lead, but could not keep the Bears silent for long.

With UNO leading 26-19 with three minutes left in the first half, a three-point basket by Northern Colorado's Marcee Owens cut the deficit to four. She later made a jumper to cut UNO's lead to 28-25.

The Lady Mavs led at the half, 31-28.

Early in the second half, whenever UNO scored, the Lady Bears answered with bas-

Noel led all scorers with 25 points, while Owens led the Lady Bears with 20.

"I'm really disappointed. I thought we were ready to play, and I felt this was going to be our turn. Coming into this game, Northern Colorado was just one game ahead of us," Mankenberg said.

The Lady Mavs host the NCC's top two teams, North Dakota on Friday and North Dakota State on Saturday night.

"We have to grow up big time now," Mankenberg said. "We have to suck it up."

This weekend was a disappointing one for the UNO wrestling team with a heartbreaking loss to NCC rival Mankato State.

"We were leading by one point just before the heavyweight match," Coach Mike Denney said. "Darin Tietz had to wrestle the No. 1 ranked guy in the conference and was decisioned 3-2."

"It came right down to the wire."

UNO suffered the 18-16 loss to eighth-ranked Mankato Saturday just after defeating Southwest Minnesota 28-12.

"We pretty much dominated Southwest Minnesota," Denney said. "We should have shut them out."

According to Denney, the team will still come out ahead despite the loss.

"We were kind of disappointed. We should have won the dual," Denney said. "But it happens, and it was good for us. We're trying to get prepared for the conference meet and some good matches are just what we need."

According to Denney, the Mankato team UNO faced this weekend was the best one in years.

"It was the strongest team I've seen from them in a long time," he said.

The Mavericks who led UNO this weekend included Eric Robinson, Lim Prim and Brian Sell. All three wrestlers won their weight classes in both duals.

The next dual for UNO will be against Central Oklahoma, ranked first in the nation in NCAA Division II. According to Denney, the Mavs are ready to go.

"I think we're right in it," he said.



FROM MAVS, PAGE 7

Derek Chaney gave Northern Colorado an 84-77 lead with 13 seconds left.

Two free throws by Mav center John Skokan and a layup by Ledford completed the scoring.

The win improved Northern Colorado's record to 5-5 in the NCC and 8-10 overall.

Conley led all scorers with 28 points, while Chaney led the Bears with 18.

Hanson praised the play of Conley.

"He's a great shooter. I've been encouraging him to do that for the last three years," he said.

Conley said he had a good feeling about his shooting during the game.

"I was in rhythm. The shots were there, and I just took them," he said.

The Mavs play next at South Dakota State on Tuesday night.

# Lady Mavs Net 2nd at Doane

By DAVE BORYCA

There were no surprises for Coach Tim Hendricks and the women's indoor track team this weekend at the Tiger Invitational at Doane.

"It pretty much went as expected," Hendricks said. "We expected to get what we got."

The Lady Mavs placed second in a field of seven teams with a score of 49 points. Doane College received top honors with a score of 89. According to Hendricks, Doane's victory was predictable.

"We sat down at the beginning of the week to figure out what we could do," Hendricks said. "Doane had the advantage. They were going to have too many athletes."

UNO was unable to compete in six of the 13 events due to a lack of athletes. These included the mile run, two-mile run, 4x440 relay, triple jump, high jump and shot put. Lack of runners was not the only reason for not participating in the 4x400 relay, however.

"We didn't want to run the mile relay at the end of the meet," Hendricks said. "The points it would have earned us wouldn't have made any difference in the final standings."

According to Hendricks, several of these no-shows were due to injury and illness problems among the Lady Mavs.

"Kim Osler didn't run this week because of a strained hamstring," Hendricks said. "We also left out Jennifer Kennedy who's been sick all week. She probably would have won the two mile for us."

Further problems came for UNO when several of the other teams at the invitational failed to pad the blow of a full Doane roster.

"Nebraska-Wesleyan didn't help us much as we thought they might," Hendricks said. "And one school we thought would help didn't show up (Midland College)."

Despite the problems for the Lady Mavs, several UNO athletes placed high for the second-place finish.

Junior Osler led the Lady Mavs with a first-place finish in both the

60-yard dash with a time of 7.29 seconds, and the 300-yard run with a 37.36 mark. Linda Vondras also notched a third-place finish in the long jump with a leap of 17 feet 7 3/4 inches. According to Hendricks, however, even Vondras wasn't at her best for the meet.

"Linda didn't do as well in the long jump as we hoped," Hendricks said. "And in all her races, she had to come from behind. Because of a strained quadricep, she was the last one out, but was a good enough athlete to make it up."

Sue Del Castillo also contributed a strong performance for UNO by placing first in the 60-yard hurdles and fourth in the 60-yard dash. Castillo's time of 8.15 in the 60-yard hurdles broke the school record set by Osler last week at the Nebraska Wesleyan Invitational by 0.03 seconds.

This Saturday, the Lady Mavs will be busy again with competition at both the Frank Sevigne Meet and the Nebraska Wesleyan Open, both in Lincoln.

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2. Florida Southern	116
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10. Wayne St. (Mich)	66
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